

House Resolution 1364 (RULES COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

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A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on the Future of Manufacturing in Georgia; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, there are many different factors manufacturing businesses will take into
4 consideration prior to deciding where to set up operation; and

5 WHEREAS, an infrastructure with the ability to quickly and efficiently deliver products to
6 customers is a major selling point to manufacturing businesses, and Georgia possesses such
7 an infrastructure with Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport - the world's leading air cargo
8 center handling more than 900,000 tons of cargo annually - and the state of the art deep water
9 ports in Savannah and Brunswick; and

10 WHEREAS, the manufacturing industry depends on a well trained workforce, and Georgia
11 is committed through programs administered by the Department of Economic Development
12 and the Department of Technical and Adult Education to ensure that there is a highly skilled
13 workforce in the state ready to meet the manufacturing needs in the state; and

14 WHEREAS, Georgia prides itself in having a pro-industry business climate and to ensure
15 that as a state we are doing everything possible to continue to attract manufacturers to
16 Georgia it is necessary to evaluate our policies and continue to develop new ideas, such as
17 job creation, incentives to attract industry to Georgia, to help existing industry grow, and to
18 target growth in particular industries.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 there is created the House Study Committee on the Future of Manufacturing in Georgia to
21 be composed of six members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker
22 of the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall select
23 one of the members appointed as the chairperson of the committee. The chairperson shall
24 call all meetings of the committee.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
2 needs, and issues mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or
3 legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
4 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
5 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
6 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
7 shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of
8 Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by
9 any member of the committee for more than three days unless additional days are authorized.
10 The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds
11 appropriated to the House of Representatives. In the event the committee makes a report of
12 its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such
13 report shall be made before the convening of the 2009 session of the General Assembly, at
14 which time the committee shall stand abolished.